

# Canine Bulletin

Nebraska Task Force - 1

July 2001

## New Toll-Free Poison Control Number

*Submitted by: Lynne Engelbert*

Please make a note of this number and keep it with you search gear. It could save the life of your search partner.

The ASPCA has a new poison control hotline phone number for pets. If you have reason to suspect that your pet may have been exposed to something toxic, either internally or externally, this phone number will connect you with an ASPCA veterinarian specially trained to assist pet owners or other vets.

This is the only dedicated animal poison control hotline in the world manned by veterinarians, not telephone operators. The number is staffed 24/7.

(888) 4ANI-HELP or (888) 426-4435

## Annual Canine Health Record Requirement

*Submitted by: John Huff*

July is the month when all handlers currently training canines with Nebraska Task Force 1 are required to submit the annual Canine Health Record, to be completed by your vet. This form can be found in the Canine Search Specialists Canine Search Guide (Appendix) or obtained from Sandy Yost. If you have submitted this form within the last six months, your next form will be due July 2002.

## NE-TF1 Deployable Teams

*Submitted by: John Huff*

Elaine Sawtell and Ditto, Type I  
Amy Rising and Louie, Type I  
Hershel McAlister and Max, Type I  
Monica Barger and Zima, Type II  
Eric Jones and Ren, Type II  
Deborah Goodman and OneSoc, Type II



Mail your training logs to:  
Sandy Yost  
1801 "Q" Street  
Lincoln, NE 68508

## How Do I Submit Items for the Canine Bulletin?

Mail, E-mail, or Fax items to:

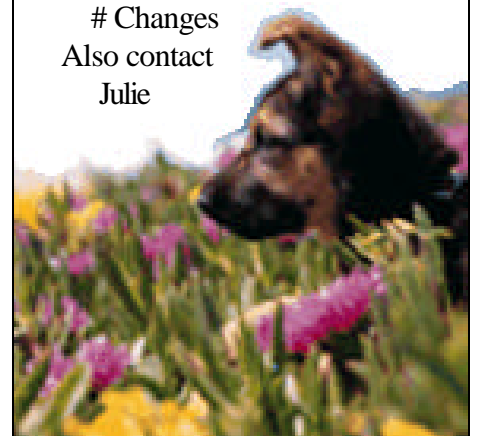
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Address/Phone

# Changes

Also contact

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## Canine Safety

*Submitted by: John Huff*

Leaders of NETF1 continue to support our Canine Search members in many ways. One of them is in preparation for providing medical care and equipment to our four legged task force members. Currently we have 100 % of the required canine equipment (see below), listed in the current US&R equipment list in NETF1's equipment Cache.

In addition, at the request of our canine handlers members, we carry Antizol, antifreeze antidote. The purpose of this medication is to provide immediate intervention, if one of our dogs inadvertently ingests antifreeze. Even when a dog is working under the watchful eye of a search team manager and their own canine search specialist, it is a possibility that we want to be prepared for. The canine members of our team a valued part of the team. As such, they are afforded the same level of concern for their safety as the human members of the team.

If canine search specialist have other needs, feel free to submit your requests to the program coordinator.

The following is from the FEMA Urban Search and Rescue Task Force Equipment Cache List.

### MEDICAL SECTION

#### CANINE TREATMENT

Description	Item Number	Qty
Acepromazine, 10mg/ml, 50 ml bottles	MI-0101.00	2 each
Apomorphine, 6mg, tablets	MI-0102.00	5 each
Atropine, ophthalmic ointment, 3.5gm tubes	MI-0103.00	6 each
Atropine, Injectable, 400mcg per ml, 20ml vial	MI-0104.00	3 each
Chloramphenicol Ophthalmic, Ointment, 1% 3.5gm tubes	MI-0105.00	6 each
Dexamethasone, 10ml bottle	MI-0106.00	5 each
Dosage Manual, AA drug portion of Merck Manual	MI-0107.00	1 each
Ketaset, 10mg/ml, 5ml vial	MI-0108.00	12 each
Metasplint, Canine, sized to meet canine needs	MI-0109.00	10 each
Muzzle, adjustable	MI-0110.00	1 each
Socumb, 250ml, vial	MI-0111.00	1 each
Tape, 3" roll (Elasticon or equivalent)	MI-0112.00	2 each
Tape, 1" roll (Elasticon or equivalent)	MI-0113.00	5 each
Tetracycline, 500mg, tablets	MI-0114.00	100 each

### TECHNICAL SECTION

#### CANINE SEARCH SPECIALIST EQUIPMENT

Description	Item Number	Qty
Container, food	TG-0101.00	4 each
Harness, tie-down (for canine air transport)	TG-0102.00	4 each
Kennel, portable, collapsible	TG-0103.00	4 each
Lead, tie out	TG-0104.00	4 each
Lifting harness	TG-0105.00	2 each
Pad, resting	TG-0106.00	4 each
Stake, tie out	TG-0107.00	4 each

For more information see our web site at: <http://www.fema.gov/r-n-r/tfcache2000.pdf>